Appendix C – Responders original correspondence

Date received	Comments
12-Jun-18	Hello Caroline,
e-mail	I am responding on behalf of Cycle Sheffield
	We support the creation of a new pedestrian crossing on Baslow Road and the introduction of further parking/waiting restriction along Baslow and Totley Grange Road.
	We support the extension of the one way restrictions for motor vehicles around Trippet Lane and the road closure of Newcastle Street at the junction with Portobello.
	Regards,
14-Jun-18 e-mail	I have been looking at the plans for traffic regulation for Totley primary school. The no waiting zone ends at the lane between 259 and 261 Baslow rd. There is a private lane running between these two houses and this will be an obvious place for parents dropping children off before the no stopping red route section, to turn around. It is also an obvious place for them to park. As this lane is private we, the residents of 259 and 261, have to pay for its upkeep. it is also narrow and used by many children and parents walking to and from the school. any extra vehicles parking or turning in this lane will be a nightmare. Would it be possible to put up a private rd, no entry sign for this lane?
18-Jun-18	Dear Sir,
e-mail	As I live on Totley Grange Drive I have received a copy of the proposed changes to parking restrictions. I notice that the corners where Totley Grange Road meet Baslow Road are to be on the red route and given time limited parking restrictions. I would like to know why it is considered that it will be safe to park in these places at ANY time. I can imagine visitors to the school, outside the restricted times, would be lazy enough to park at these corners while popping into school. Any vehicle parked at these corners restricts the vision of anyone driving out of Totley Grange Road into Baslow Road This is something that happens at the present, and I was hoping the new restrictions might improve matters. With a new pedestrian gate into the school, the problem is likely to get worse. We need a double yellow line round the corners, as a matter of safety. Thank you
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20-Jun-18 Phone call followed by e-mail	Dear Mr Ramsden, I am writing to confirm the points raised in our telephone conversation this morning, thank you for your time David.
	I am deeply concerned that some of the proposed plans which will impact greatly on the general infrastructure of Baslow road close to

the school and residential properties above (including my own)will cause a serious hazard problem with traffic flow.

As one of our main arterial roads in and out of Sheffield and beyond surely the amount of traffic ,much of it industrial and commercial in addition to the regular bus services and those from Derbyshire areas must be considered when putting such changes into place.

The stretch of road between the entrance to the Cross Scythes pub and the lower bus stop serving out of town passengers is dangerously narrow and already causes constant traffic problems due to:-

- * Cars parked regularly in front of and below their properties (the row of cottages.)
- * The constant flow of heavy vehicles and buses, obviously worse at peak times.
- * The position of the bus stop at the very narrowest part of the road.
 *Cars carrying children to and from Totley All Saints Primary school on Hillfoot road most of who park in the Pub car park.

Much of the traffic problem would be resolved if the bus stop next to Hillfoot Court was re- sited to a wider part of Baslow Road possibly below its existing position.

The footpath is dangerously narrow immediately at and below the bus stop, when children are taken in large groups by teachers from All Saints school they are faced with little space to ensure children's safety. Similarly, parents with children using the bus stop. Previously the bus stop was outside the Cross Scythes pub and was changed when the terminus moved further up Baslow Rd. I am also very concerned about the amount of diesel pollution mainly from the buses and heavy goods vehicles at this part of Baslow Rd. The increased traffic 'hold ups' will most certainly add to the pollution around this quite enclosed area.

In winter months access is further restricted when we have snow / icy conditions.

I hope that you will give the points I have made some serious consideration.

22-Jun-18 e-mail

Plan and waiting restrictions TR/TSC/TRO/01

Hi David,

I object to the whole plan on the basis of a number of reasons:-

1/ invasion of privacy to my home and the neighbor's who surround me- to my family the school plans were issued and made available and the original planned new entrance was to be on the wall adjacent to our house. I involved Colin Ross our local MP and we finally got them to move the entrance to the side and on the road! This proposed plan is a total reversal

of that promise that they had showed to all the residents.

- 2/ The plan now has a wall knocked down to allow all the families and children to cross on to the land directly in front of our houses. This is really unacceptable in that there is no provision following the knocking down of the wall to funnel the parents and children directly into the school. Ultimately creating a massive free for all for children, parents and families to mill around outside of 271,269,267,265,263,261 Baslow road. All theses houses are set below road level so therefore by pushing all the parents into this area it creates a "goldfish bowl" effect to our houses, not only do they get to see what we are doing in living rooms but also have grandstand view into our bedrooms.
- 3/ The planned red route will force all parents that <u>WILL</u> come by car to literally have no choice but to use Totley Grange as a car park- On you plans there is no provision to protect the grassed area opposite the the Grange and on the corner of the Grange and Baslow road; these will get used to park cars on and so damage the out look and area. You know all to well what parents are like when they need to drop their children off at school.
- 4/ We all on the row of semi detached houses have a private drive that allows us access to parking at the rear of our houses there is no provision on your plan to protect that private drive which again will end up being a drop off point or a parking point blocking our access- unless anything is put in place the red route just forces them onto there.
- 5/ The entrance to the school that has already been knocked through on your plan shows as bricked up? The proposed entrance is that has been shown on your plan does not show a big enough muster point inside the school grounds? You may say that is the schools responsibility but you must have an influence on how the drawings and plans are developed so therefore your recommendation should be for a larger muster point for families particularly if point 2 of this email is to be addressed.
- 6/ The notion of a "red route" to avoid congestion and parents pulling up is a good idea however in practical terms you and I and all the residents know that unless you have permanent enforcers present! It will not make a jot of difference to the parent that needs to get their child into school quickly, when they are running late themselves and given everything I see and you have seen at all other schools around the city you know the red route rules will be flouted.
- 7/ Baslow road is a notoriously busy road with buses and large vehicles accessing Derbyshire and to have two crossings in such close proximity there will be an accident; we see far to many near misses and hear of many from others in the vicinity! I and others would not like to see any accident right outside our houses, but I am afraid the "writing is on the wall"

if this proposal goes ahead there will be a child or a parent knocked over.

8/ Pollution will increase in the area and I don't see anything anywhere to address that impact, which will really be huge in 5 years time

9/ In 5 years time the capacity of the school will be at its maximum and that is when the full impact of the scheme and design will really hit home if goes ahead as it currently shows. The plan if out in place everyone will review and say ooh it's not that bad but in 5 years will the same people be around to reaccess probably not but by then it will be too late and I know all too well how long it takes to get changes done after the event. The neighbor's and myself have calculated the numbers in the school having added an extra 30 pupils over a 7 year period totaling 210 pupils additional to the original 210 will take the school to 420 pupils that number of pupils arriving daily is huge and because the net has been cast wider this means they will come from Dore and Bradway and they will not walk. Even if a third come by car twice a day that will be 139 cars all trying to park to drop off their kids so imagine the mayhem in 4 years time not right now and then tell us whether the plan is a good one!

I cannot stress enough the impact this is having on my family and my neighbor's, my wife stresses everyday about this and having lived in our house over 35 years in perfect harmony with the school as it was, this whole debacle has been a real massive impact on her health and well being.

I am still waiting for an invitation to a general meeting with the school and the neighbor's for them to discuss with us the proposed changes to the plans around the entrance; they promised discussion if there was changes required to the plans! so if you do have the ability to prompt them please do.

thank you and regards

28-Jun-18 Letter

My name is ****** I live on Baslow rd. at no ***, which is situated opposite Totley grange rd. I previously posted on the council website in objection to plans to expand and open up Totley primary school on to Baslow rd. as I consider this to be dangerous.

As this seems to be going ahead it appears that you now have the unenviable task of trying to do this with some degree of safety, a position that I sincerely empathize with.

I now write in response to your letter dated 12/6/18 regarding proposed waiting restrictions on Baslow rd. of which I strongly object for the following reasons

Privacy

At no time have I received any information/consultation of this massive intrusion of privacy. I refer here to the position of the pelican crossing in front of my house directly in line with my front room window which is set

slightly below street level, where people crossing will see straight down into. This will not only mean dozens, possibly hundreds of people passing my window daily but many parents and children standing around waiting in front of my house, as is normal at school pick up points. This is a situation that I feel most people would object strongly to.

<u>Parking</u>

The proposed plans indicate at peak times there will be no waiting or stopping on Baslow rd. from the houses above Hillfoot rd. down to almost Totley library, apart from the houses just above the school opposite the cross scythes. Where as, we in the houses just below the school, will be unable to park, pick up, deliver or take delivery, at or to the front of our houses at any time, due to the restrictions imposed by the crossing. This being a huge inconvenience I feel most people would object strongly to. Pollution

The proposed introduction of these waiting restrictions gives the impression of less stopping and starting of traffic, and therefor less congestion and less pollution. I do not however consider this to be the case at all.

With the increase in traffic to the school, all being forced on to the Totley grange estate, all then being forced to cross Baslow road by foot, requiring the constant stopping of the main road traffic on Baslow road via the crossing. The increase in congestion and therefore pollution would surely be enormous.

Knowing that in the 1970s exhaust fumes were having an adverse effect on the residents of Baslow rd. [see my previous post on council web site] and presumably the school children now playing much closer to the road. I ask what is the air quality now! I am already aware on a still muggy day under the canopy of the trees of the presence of diesel fumes. How much worse is this likely to become with such an increase and concentration of traffic into this small area, and what will be the health effects of such an increase? The air quality assessment report on the council web site although over thirty pages long, does not seem to address very clearly, what the long-term percentage increase would be.

With the increased awareness of the effects of exhaust emissions, via the increased taxation on vehicles and fuel by central government, a massive increase rather than a reduction, in these emissions encroaching into their living space, would be something I feel most people would object strongly to.

Pollution continued

With the vast array of zigzag lines, single yellow lines, double yellow lines etc. needed to implement these waiting restrictions, plus a mass of lights and signs explaining the times of these restrictions, stretching from Totley library to way up past Hillfoot rd, this area would become unrecognizable to what it is now. Such a huge and dramatic change to a small homely and historical environment would be a form of pollution I feel most people would object strongly to.

<u>Safety</u>

If the decision to open up the school onto Baslow rd. is to go ahead then it is

important to minimize the risk to pedestrians. I do not believe the plans put forward here do this for the following reason.

It is clear that any one picking up or dropping off by car at the Baslow rd. entrance would have no choice but to enter the Totley Grange estate, there being no parking allowed anywhere else. Once they have entered they would have to exit by the same route. The extra load put on this already dangerous junction would be huge. If half the proposed 400 pupils arrive by car and half of these use the Baslow rd. entrance, that's 100 cars in then out of the Totley grange junction twice a day. That's 400 a day or 2,000 a week on top of the existing traffic.

Once the traffic has entered Totley grange, because there is little to no parking to the right all traffic will have to park somewhere on the left of the estate. This means that after parking all pedestrians would then have to cross Totley grange rd. to get to the crossing on Baslow rd. If each car only has one child and one parent then, as the parent would have to cross back after dropping of there child, this would mean three pedestrian crossings twice a day, six crossings a day, times by one hundred cars, that's 600 a day or 3,000 per week.

This would then create the ridiculous situation of forcing 2,000 extra vehicles per week through this already dangerous junction, while at the same time forcing 3,000 extra pedestrians to cross it.

The only alternative for pedestrians would be for them to not cross Totley grange rd. and instead cross Saslow rd. above the junction without using the crossing. A second crossing introduced across the grange, would just end in gridlock.

Conclusion

To my mind the proposed waiting restrictions, together with the proposed position of the pelican crossing, mean the crossing is in the wrong place. I say this because it creates a situation requiring the maximum number of children having to cross the dangerous junction of Totley grange rd. or they would be encouraged not to bother crossing Totley grange rd. and risk crossing Baslow rd. without using the pelican crossing.

Surly the crossing should be positioned above Totley grange road then anyone entering the Totley grange estate to access the school would have no need to cross Totley grange rd. at all.

Footnote

The estimate of 3,000 per week crossing Totley Grange rd. I consider extremely low. This is because this figure is based on a pupil population of 400, where as the final figure will be somewhat higher than this. Also this figure is based on only 50 percent using the Baslow rd. entrance. One of the reasons originally given as to why it was necessary to open the school on to Baslow rd. was to ease the already over loaded Sunnyvale rd. entrance. If the school numbers are to be increased by 50 percent, then 50 percent use the Baslow rd. entrance; the problem at the Sunnyvale entrance would remain the same. To ease the problem on Sunnyvale, it seems clear that it is hoped, expected or intended that more than 50 percent use the Baslow rd. entrance.

Lastly the figure of 3,000 is based on each car arriving on the Totley Grange estate containing only one parent and one child. This would not always be the case as younger siblings, toddlers, pushchairs etc. are often involved on the school run.

In reality I estimate the weekly number crossing Totley Grange rd. to and from school via the grange estate, could be as high as 6,000. This figure could be reduced to none, by moving the crossing a few yards. Yours sincerely

4&5-Jul-18 e-mails

Further to my requests below I also request, under the Freedom of Information Act, to see a copy of the options analysis undertaken which determined that the proposed red route plan is the best option available. I understand that an options analysis is considered best practice by the UK Transport Department when proposing changes of this nature.

Kind regards, *******

From: ********

Sent: 04 July 2018 19:58

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transport@sheffield.gov.uk

Cc: colin.ross@sheffield.gov.uk

Subject: Traffic Regulation Order - Totley Primary School

Dear David, Caroline and Transport Sheffield,

I am writing to object to the proposed TRO that I was informed about by letter dated the 12th June 2018. It was not clear in that letter whom to contact regarding objecting so I have included all email addresses provided so that individuals can pick out the pertinent points relating to them.

I would like to object to the proposed TRO on the following grounds:

- 1) I have not seen any report detailing the actual demand for another crossing on Baslow Road. Under the Freedom of Information Act I request to see a copy of the report that analyses the need to place another crossing on Baslow Road and the report that identifies the proposed TRO as the best possible solution to cater for the anticipated demand.
- 2) Given that there is a proposed crossing to be installed along with the red route it must be taken for granted that the council anticipates extra people using Totley Grange as a car park whilst they drop their children off at school and pick them up. I see no provision in the plan for extra parking on Totley Grange. Again I would like to request under the Freedom of Information Act a copy of the correspondence sent to residents of Totley Grange informing them that the Grange will be subjected to increased traffic during school drop off and collection times. I would also like to see a copy of the report detailing the residents comments resulting from that consultation.

- 3) Placing the crossing down hill of Totley Grange seems ludicrous and this must be reconsidered. The council is clearly anticipating a large increase in people wishing to cross Baslow Rd with the increase coming from people parking on Totley Grange. From a safety perspective it therefore seems strange to ask those people to cross the entrance to Totley Grange at the same time that people are trying to both enter and exit the Grange to park their cars in order to drop their children off. It would make far more sense to have the crossing above the entrance to Totley Grange to avoid this situation. I understand that there are concerns regarding pavement width higher up Baslow Road but given that there is a large buffer zone between the pavement and the school surely this space could be used to create a much wider footpath. Once Again I would like to request under the Freedom of Information Act a copy of the report concluding that Totley Grange will be the most favoured place to park cars for parents wishing to utilise the entrance to Totley Primary School from Baslow Rd. I ask this because I know parents who currently drive to drop their children off and they have indicated that despite the creation of the new entrance they will continue to use the Sunnyvale Rd Entrance. I suggest a far more comprehensive survey is undertaken to actually find out if parents would use a pedestrian access point from Baslow Road to enter the school.
- 4) Give the location of the proposed crossing the amount of vehicles standing stationary around the vicinity to the entrance to Totley Grange will be significant thus contributing to a reduction in air quality. Once again under the Freedom of Information act I would like to see a copy of the report that analyses the predicted air quality around this area following the installation of the crossing. I am most interested to see what mitigation measures have been proposed to off set any identified loss of air quality.

In short I believe this proposed TRO has been rushed through without due consideration of alternatives. In order to find the best possible solution that would work for parents, residents of Baslow road, residents of Totley Grange and the school itself, I believe actual **meaningful engagement** with the local residents, not a sham consultation, would be the best way to resolve the issues that have been highlighted by myself and other residents surrounding the school. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss with the relevant planners this proposal and the alternatives that they have considered.

Please post all information requested under the Freedom of Information Act to:

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I look forward to hearing the results of this consultation and receiving the

	information requested.
	Kind regards,
6-Jul-18 e-mail	Dear Mr Ramsden,
	Traffic Regulation Order- Totley Primary School Your Ref: TR/TSC/TRO/01
	Apologies for the slight delay in this correspondence, I do hope that you can consider my comments.
	I am writing regarding the proposed parking restrictions along Baslow Road. I am the home-owner at *** Baslow Road. We do sometimes park one of our cars on the pavement immediately outside our house adjacent to our wall. This is also used when we have visitors. The pavement is exceptionally wide outside our home, with ample room for pedestrians. We have never encountered any problems or complaints with this in the 14 years we have lived there.
	I am concerned that the proposed "no waiting at any time" restriction outside our home will mean that us parking on the pavement adjacent to the double yellow lines as we have done for 14 years, will be in contravention of traffic regulations. Thus we will be forced to park on Main Avenue at times, increasing congestion there. We ask that you consider this issue. It may be that issuing residents permits will allow us to park considerately here as we have done for many years.
	Also have you considered the issue of people visiting Liberty Foods Farmshop, no. 253 Baslow Road. Parking outside of the shop and on the pavements nearby is essential to the trade at Liberty Foods. Have you considered how shoppers parking in front of the shop (adjacent to double yellow lines) will be treated?
	Yours sincerely